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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Application No. 09/689,785; Filed: October 13, 2000  
For: **Method and System for Spatially Compositing Digital Video Images  
With a Tile Pattern Library**  
Inventor: Greg Sadowski  
Our Ref: 1452.3290000/MVM/TAD

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Statement of Substance of Examiner Interview;
2. Two (2) return postcards.

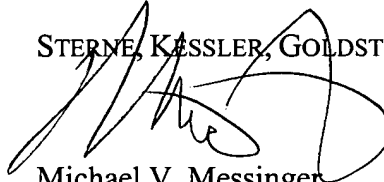
It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael V. Messinger', is written over the firm name.

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Sir:

An Examiner Interview for the captioned application was conducted on January 5, 2004. Pursuant to the Interview Summary mailed January 16, 2004, which directs Applicant to file a statement of the substance of the interview within one month from the date of the interview if a reply to the last Office Action has already been filed, Applicant submits herewith such a statement.

Applicant and Applicant's representatives wish to thank Examiner Daniel J. Chung for the personal interview with the Applicant's representatives, Mr. Michael V. Messinger and Mr. Timothy A. Doyle, on January 5, 2004.

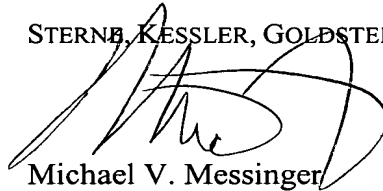
During the interview, Applicant's representatives explained the present invention and distinguished it from the documents that had been applied by the Examiner based upon, *inter alia*, the use of multiple graphics pipelines, spatial (as opposed to temporal) composition, and a tile pattern library. The Examiner agreed to discuss these differences with the Primary

Examiner, but indicated that he expected that he would be directed to perform an additional document search. Although an agreement was not reached, both the Examiner and the Applicant's representatives believe that a better understanding of the present invention was conveyed to the Examiner.

Again, Applicant and Applicant's representatives wish to thank the Examiner for the opportunity to conduct the personal interview. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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